

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting : February 15, 2018

Item Number: 024

Police

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the University of Texas Steve Hicks School of Social Work, Institute for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, in the amount of \$230,000 for research assistance with the City's Sexual Assault Kit Initiative for a 3-year term.

Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$230,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance through the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) Program Grant for the 3-year grant period.
Prior Council Action	On September 13, 2017, Council approved ordinance number 20170913-001 adopting the City of Austin Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 which authorized the Austin Police Department to accept a \$2,000,000 grant from the Bureau of Justice titled Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Program.
For More Information	Troy Gay, Assistant Chief, Austin Police Department, (512) 974-5030.

Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the University of Texas Steve Hicks School of Social Work, Institute for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (IDVSA) for services in an amount not to exceed \$230,000 for research assistance with the City of Austin Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) for a 3-year period.

Under this agreement, the Austin Police Department will agree to reimburse the University of

Texas for services in an amount not to exceed \$230,000, including fees and expenses. Noel B. Busch-Armendarez, Ph.D. LMSW will act as Principal Investigator. The IDVSA scope of work will include:

- Development of a comprehensive victim notification plan and SAKI implementation plan in cooperation with the SAKI Sexual Assault Response and Resource Team (SARRT)
- Leading the SAKI SARRT in structuring and institutionalizing systems, policies and protocols to address SAK backlogs and to prevent reoccurrence
- Engaging in multi-disciplinary policy development
- Working directly with the SAKI Site Coordinator to manage the workgroup agenda and implementation plan
- Conducting research on outcomes in local SAKI and DANY cases
- Assisting with the creation of community-defined performance metrics.